

ABSTRACT

A method for hiding information on a computer, comprising: storing said information in one or more storage entries (e.g. file, registry entry), having a name that is derived in a secret manner from the identity (e.g. serial number) of one or more computer components. According to a preferred embodiment of the invention, deriving a name in a secret manner from the identity of one or more computer components is carried out by: generating a pseudo-random sequence, the seed of said sequence derived from the identity of said one or more computer components; and deriving a name from one or more value of said pseudo-random sequence. The computer components may be hardware and/or software modules, e.g. CPU, a computer chip, a computer program, the BIOS, a file (the name of a file, the ID of a file, the physical location of a file), the volume name of a disk, etc.